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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 11, 1996
SUBJ: Site Visit and SWMU #5 backfilling
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TO: Ciba-Geigy File

On 7-10-96, I visited the Ciba-Geigy site to observe the soil sampling and backfilling activities at SWMU #5. At about 9:00 AM, Ciba personnel began to sample the soils at the bottom of the SWMU #5 excavation. The hole was about 5-6 feet deep 30 feet long and 15 feet wide. There was about 6+ inches of standing water at the deeper end. Five sampling points were surveyed and staked. These sampling points (at the 5-6 foot depth) are at the same locations as five previously (summer 1995) sampled points that were taken at the 2 foot depth. The five soil samples were then composited and a single sample to be analyzed for PCBs was taken. This sample was split with EPA. A composite of the backfill material was then sampled and split with EPA. It will be analyzed for PCBs. The excavation was then covered with a clear plastic barrier and backfilled. About 75 cubic yards of soil was removed and sent to a PCB permitted landfill in New York State.



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